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RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES

Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Election of Species of May 20, 2003. A petition for a one-month extension of time is submitted herewith along with the appropriate fee to extend the due date from June 20, 2003 to July 20, 2003. The Examiner requires Applicants to elect one of the following groups of species identified by the Examiner:

Species 1 directed to FIGS. 1-11;

Species 2 directed to FIG. 12;

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Species 3 directed to FIGS. 13-16; and

Species 4 directed to FIGS. 19-20.

Applicant hereby elects Species 4, with traverse. Claims 1-23, 25, 26, 28-36 and 46-47 are readable on the elected species. Claims 17, 30 and 46 are generic.

Prompt and favorable consideration of this Response is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes, for any reason, that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided below.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any underpayment of fees associated with this communication, including any necessary fees for extension of time or additional claims, and/or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2319 (Order No. 463678-00065; Docket No. A-64345-4/RBC/VEJ).

Respectfully submitted,

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